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Sir:

Pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed are copies of References AA-AC for the Examiner's review and consideration. These references are listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449.

These references were cited in the International Search Report of corresponding International Application No. PCT/CA 99/00891, attached hereto, but none were deemed to be material to the patentability of the present claims.

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